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COMMENT:

I attended the FCC Hearings in Monterey on July 21<sup>st</sup>. My views were expressed by those of Sean McLaughlin, FCC Commissioner Copps + Adelson, and the plethora of speakers who spoke in favor of the open airways and against increased monopolization of the media.... and corporate control of broadcast companies.  
I support the fairness doctrine and also support public access media. Most commercial networks have become just that - a lot of commercials and limited content. We are fortunate to have public-listener supported radio stations, PBS + C-SPAN stations on t.v., and good local news + public-interest programs on local stations.  
The rest of the country doesn't fare as well. The FCC must regulate the media to balance access to commercial stations for

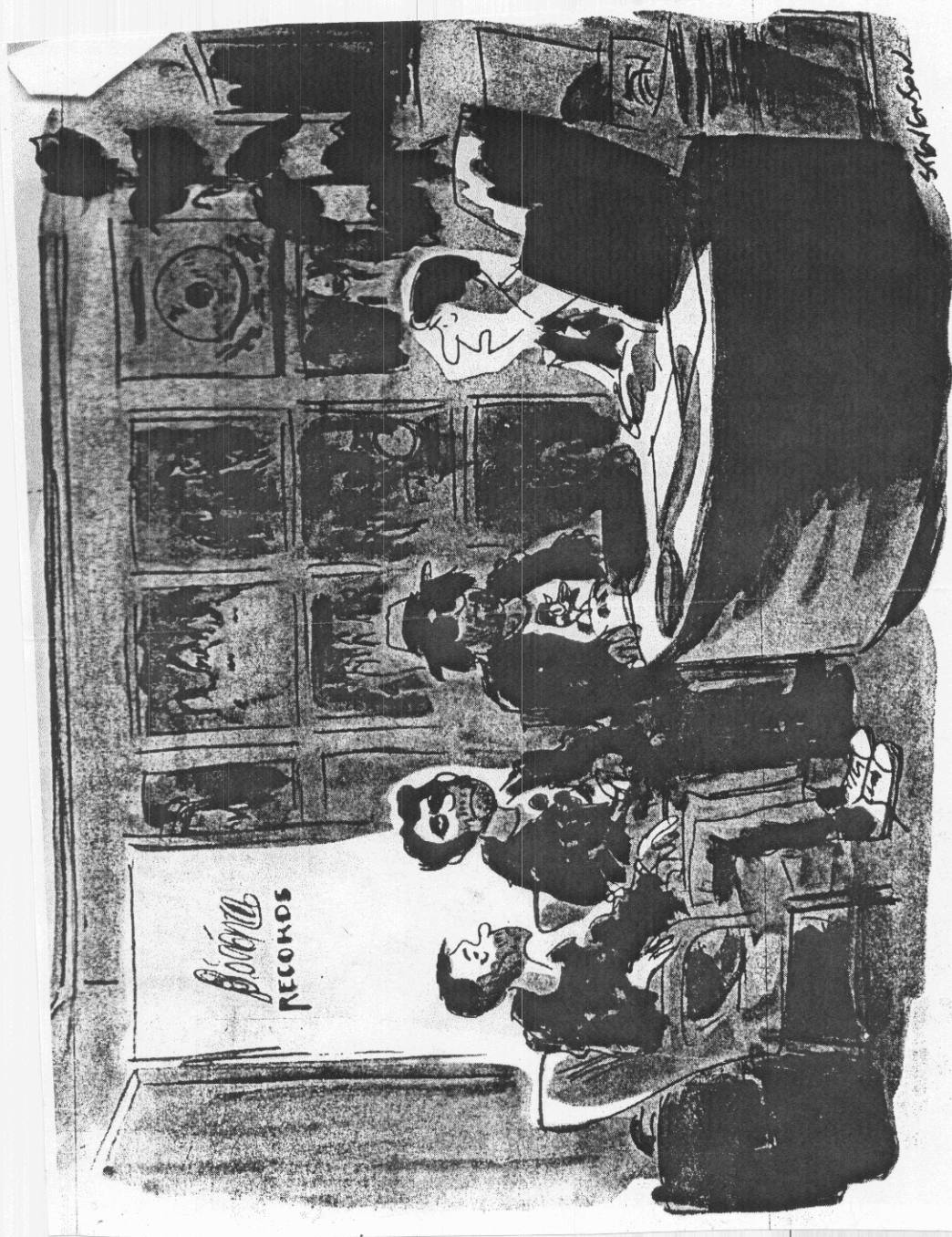
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Finally, I appreciate the panelists' perspectives - esp. those of Pat Pas, Connolly, McLaughlin, Davey D. + Martin Kaplan's proxy.

I learned much about the FCC from them, broadcasting + the FCC from them.  
Note: The panelists were well-chosen, and I thank the FCC for selecting them + the good moderation from S.F. Kathleen Abernathy set the tone - respect + openness.



"Sorry, kids. You're punk, but you're just not punk enough."